

# California OES Weather Threat Briefing

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**Day 1 (Friday):** Mountain snow over the Sierras will lead to travel impacts over i-80 and other highway passes in the mountains.

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# **WEATHER KEY POINTS**

**02/12/21 - 02/18/21**

## **Friday - Monday**

- Two more weather storms will impact the state through Monday, bringing widespread precipitation to much of northern and central California
  - Travel impacts are expected in the mountains due to accumulating snowfall and gusty winds late Friday through Saturday morning, then again late Sunday into early Monday
  - The strongest winds are expected on Saturday across inland southern California, with gusts 40 to 60 mph
  - In total, moderate to locally heavy snowfall amounts are expected over the Sierra and northern California higher mountains by Monday, with mainly light to moderate rainfall amounts for the lower elevations

## **Tuesday-Wednesday**

- No notable impacts are expected

## **Thursday**

- Another weather system aimed at northern California will bring additional valley rain and mountain snow to the northern half of the state late in the week



# CALIFORNIA WEATHER IMPACTS

02/12/21 - 02/18/21

| <u>Hazards / Day</u>  | FRI                   | SAT                   | SUN                                | MON                   | TUE | WED | THU |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| <b>Non-Thunderstorm<br/>Damaging Winds</b>                          | Inland/<br>Southern   | Inland/<br>Southern   | Southern                           |                       |     |     |     |
| <b>Snow</b>   | Inland<br>(mountains) | Inland<br>(mountains) | Inland/<br>Southern<br>(mountains) | Inland<br>(mountains) |     |     |     |
| <b>Coastal Flooding</b>   |                       |                       |                                    |                       |     |     |     |
| <b>River Flooding</b>   |                       |                       |                                    |                       |     |     |     |
| <b>Thunderstorms</b><br>(Wind / Hail / Tornadoes)                   |                       |                       |                                    |                       |     |     |     |
| <b>Fire Weather</b><br>(Low Humidity / Wind /<br>Dry Thunderstorms) |                       |                       |                                    |                       |     |     |     |
| <b>Heat Risk</b>  |                       |                       |                                    |                       |     |     |     |
| <b>Heavy Rain/Flash Flooding/<br/>Debris Flow</b>                   |                       |                       |                                    |                       |     |     |     |
| <b>Cold</b>   |                       |                       |                                    |                       |     |     |     |



No Impacts



Minimal Impacts



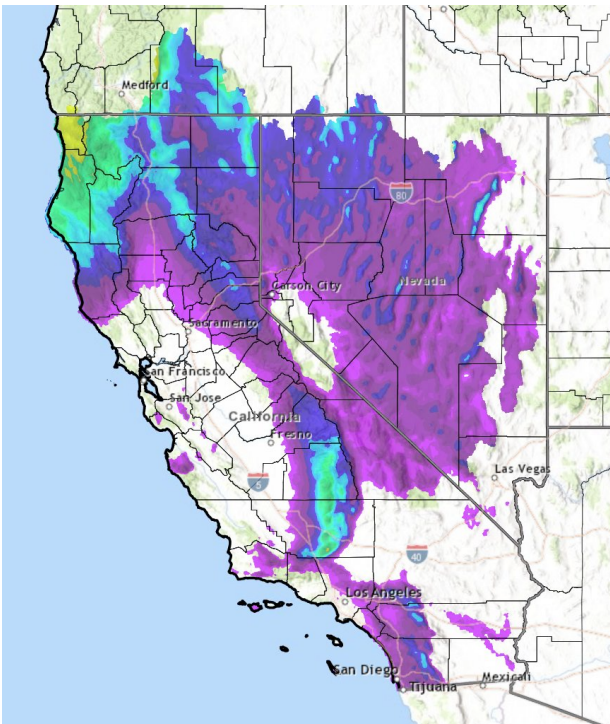
Moderate Impacts



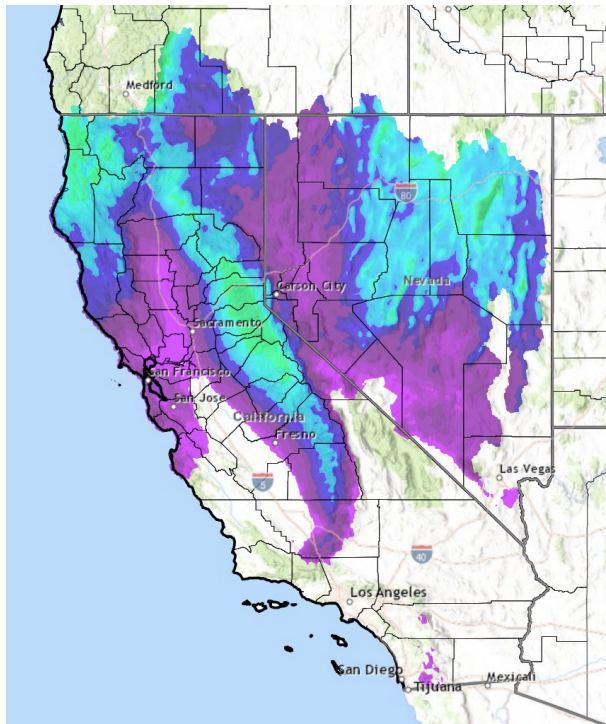
Severe Impacts

# PRECIPITATION FORECAST

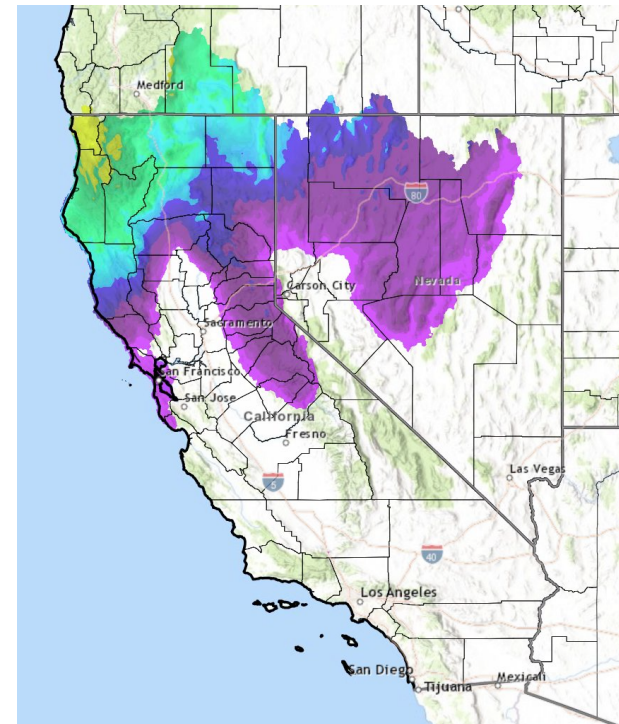
02/12/21 - 02/14/21



Friday



Saturday



Sunday

Precipitation (inches)



# **WEATHER OUTLOOK**

**02/17/21 - 02/25/21**

## **6-10 Day Outlook (February 17 – February 21)**

### **Temperatures**

- Near normal temperatures are favored for the majority of the state, with the exception of far northern California where below normal temperatures are favored

### **Precipitation**

- Above normal to near normal precipitation is favored for far northern California, and below normal precipitation is favored for southern and central California

## **8-14 Day Outlook (February 19 – February 25)**

### **Temperatures**

- Below normal temperatures are favored across northern California, with near normal to above normal temperatures favored for the remainder of the state

### **Precipitation**

- Below normal precipitation is favored for much of California, with the exception of far northern California where near normal to above normal precipitation is favored



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